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Powerful woman

PepsiCO CEO Indra Nooyi, No. 1 on Fortune's "Most Powerful Women in Business," speaks today on campus about her leadership role. The event is from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the AT&T Executive Education and Conference Center Ballroom and is open to the public.

Free culture

The Blanton Museum of Art hosts its monthly free event of art, literature and yoga in the galleries. 5-9 p.m. at the Blanton.

529,600 minutes

New York City's East Village comes to Austin in the rock-opera musical, RENT. The performance opens tonight at 8 p.m. and runs through Nov. 28 at the Zach Theatre.

Frente a Frente

Celebrate Mexican Independence at the Benson Library with a reception for the library's exhibition of rare books, prints, photographs, and manuscripts in commemoration of the Independence and the Mexican Revolution. 5-7 p.m.

Today in history

In 2004

Hurricane Ivan hit the Gulf Coast with 130 mph winds and a major storm surge. Ivan was blamed for at least 115 deaths, 43 in the United States.

Campus watch

Dorm theft

Moore-Hill Dormitory
A student discovered a small black coin purse containing \$90.00 had been removed from her top dresser drawer located inside her dorm room. She noticed it had gone missing between Sept. 9 and Sept. 14.



Quote to note

"When you make a mint julep, you have to prepare to make it for someone you care about, because it does take a good bit of time. If you rush through it, it's not going to taste the same. And if you make it the wrong way, the emotion and the care that you give the drink doesn't translate to the enjoyment of the drink."

— **Adam Harris**
Host of the Austin Julep Cup competition

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Powers addresses budget woes

President reviews spending, initiates technology funding

By Collin Eaton
Daily Texan Staff

UT President William Powers Jr. announced a new spending initiative tailored to help emerging UT technologies during the early stages of development during his fifth State of the University address on Wednesday.

Powers said the creation of a "proof of concept fund" will support researchers through the less mature stages of developing their intellectual property when venture capitalists don't normally bite — a

period often referred to as the "valley of death."

"These endeavors have the potential to generate much-needed income streams," Powers said. "But more to my point, they will represent significant gains in our productivity by increasing the impact of work in engineering and applied sciences for our economy."

On Monday, Betsy Merrick, spokeswoman for UT's Office of Technology Commercialization, said it is unclear whether the funding would come from patent revenue or another source.

Powers spent much of his speech addressing the budget constraints, which will force UT to do more with less in the future because of a potential state-directed 10-percent budget

cut. Another long-term challenge is the rising cost of higher education, which has caused many to question its value, he said.

"There is a growing crisis of public confidence in American universities, and these forces are not going away any time soon," he said. "We'll have to reinvent many of the ways we do things."

Powers said the University must control costs and become more productive by taking steps such as investing more in the most valuable graduate programs.

"We need to selectively focus on graduate programs that have demonstrated success in placing students in high-impact areas of

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Shiyam Gaylon | Daily Texan Staff

President Powers speaks about UT's accomplishments and budget constraints during his State of the University speech Wednesday.

Clean-up allows Barton to reopen



Shiyam Galyon | Daily Texan Staff

Lifeguards Matt Lucca and Brian Meyerdirk spend an evening pressure washing the bedrock. Tropical Storm Hermine necessitated the cleaning of the Barton Springs pool Wednesday.

Community bands together to renew pool conditions after Hermine

By Clayton Wickham
Daily Texan Staff

About 60 volunteers came together Wednesday to help clean up Barton Springs Pool which was overrun with silt and debris from last week's flash flooding, in an attempt to reopen the popular swimming hole by Saturday.

The pool closed after storms

caused by Tropical Storm Hermine hit Central Texas. Victor Ovalle, Austin Parks and Recreation Department spokesman, said the staff has worked to clean up the pool since last Saturday, and the city hopes to reopen the pool by this weekend.

Friends of Barton Springs Pool organized the "Flash

Flood Rapid Response." The event began at 10 a.m., and volunteers worked in two-hour shifts until 6 p.m.

"We really do appreciate the effort," Ovalle said. "The Friends of Barton Springs Pool are a great organization that helps the department with resources and volunteers, and we couldn't do it without them."

Volunteers at the pool used push brooms to scrub silt off the bottom of the pool floor, scrubbed walls and removed fallen trees limbs from the pool area. Along with bringing silt and debris, flooding damaged fencing and some of the railing at the pool.

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UT behind in national doctorate statistics

By Amyna Dosani
Daily Texan Staff

The University lags behind national statistics of women earning doctorate degrees, according to a new report that shows more than 50 percent of the total number of such degrees awarded in the U.S. during the 2008-09 school year were to women.

According to a report by the Council for Graduate Schools, women earned 50.4 percent of the 57,599 total doctorates nationwide in the 2008-09 school year. According to the 2009-10 Statistical Handbook by the UT Office of Information Management and Analysis, women made up only 42.9 percent of total doctorate recipients at the University in 2008-09.

Nationwide, there was an overall 3.9-percent increase in doctoral degrees in 2007-08, and women claimed the majority, with a 6.3-percent increase, as opposed to 1 percent for men.

The report demonstrated a continuing distinction between certain fields traditionally viewed as male-dominated or female-dominated. While women held most of the education degrees, men led significantly in mathematics and computer science. Engineering had the largest gap, with men earning 5,814 degrees and women earning only 1,599. Men earned about two-thirds of all doctorates in natural sciences and engineering.

Between 2004 and 2008, the gap between men and women earning

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Campus call boxes often misused

By Aziza Musa
Daily Texan Staff

The causes of nearly 80 percent of the campus emergency call box activations made during the 2009-10 school year remain unknown, with only two calls listed as "valid," or needing assistance, according to UT Police Department records.

Call boxes were first introduced to the University in the 1970s as a way for students, faculty and staff to contact the police when they needed assistance. They have since been used for a variety of reasons, including motorist assistance, directions and suspicious persons and criminal activity reports. The call boxes were activated 147 times during the last year, UTPD Officer William Pieper said.

In most cases, the cause and caller of the call box activations were unidentified. Officers searched the surrounding area to make sure no one needed any assistance and found nothing. UTPD records showed that 13 out of the 147 activations were caused by malfunctioning equipment and accidental activation by repair crews. Only 12 were activated by

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Call boxes around the University

Illustration by Camri Hinkie | Daily Texan Staff



Area banks seek business of student organizations

By Destinee Hodge
Daily Texan Staff

Hundreds of student organization representatives searched for new banking options Wednesday in anticipation of the closure of the Student Organization Bank in January.

Representatives of student groups filtered through the Quadrangle Room in the Texas Student Union at the Financial Institution Fair, hosted by Student Government, to meet with potential bankers. The fair included eight banks vying for new student customers, including University Federal Credit Union, Chase, Wells Fargo and Bank of America.

The Student Organization Bank was one account for student groups at Frost Bank, which is compartmentalized to serve each student organization. The UT System Board

of Regents voted in July to allow registered student organizations to keep their funds in banks off campus.

"This will give student organizations the opportunity to almost interview the financial institutions to find out what the best fit is," said Assistant Dean of Students Mary Beth Mercatoris, who oversees the Student Activities and Leadership Development department.

SG announced this summer that the Student Organization Bank would close to allow on-campus organizations to facilitate technological advancements in banking. This system made it impossible to provide online banking or debit cards for student groups.

Mercatoris said closing the Student Organization Bank has

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NEWS BRIEFLY

Wells Fargo robbery suspect arrested after stand-off

Austin police arrested a man on Wednesday who they believe robbed a bank near 32nd and Red River streets on Labor Day. Officers responded to a SWAT call early Wednesday morning in an apartment complex near 24th Street and Manor Road. Police attempted to draw the suspect out of his apartment, but he refused, said Cpl. Scott Perry, an Austin Police Department spokesman. The complex was evacuated and Manor Road was shut down for less than one hour, Perry said. Police then used “diversionary tactics” to force the suspect out. According to arrest affidavits the suspect, Matthew Valentine, 29, entered the Wells Fargo at around noon on Sept. 4. He wrote a statement on a napkin and told the teller to put all large bills in an envelope “and no one will get hurt,” the affidavit said. He then left the bank with an undisclosed amount of money, police said. Since the robbery, police received three anonymous tips from the crime stoppers hotline, all of which identified Valentine as the robber. Court records showed that Valentine called the APD robbery unit to admit that he committed the crime and that he wanted to turn himself in. He was held at the Travis County Jail on Wednesday night.

— Aziza Musa

Family of slain 18-year-old suing city over settlement

The family of an 18-year-old who was fatally shot by a former Austin Police Department officer last May sued the city Wednesday for breach of a settlement for their son’s death. Former APD Officer Leonardo Quintana fatally shot Nathaniel Sanders II outside an East Austin apartment. Quintana found Sanders sleeping in a car that was seen in several robberies in the area. Quintana said he fired in self-defense when he saw Sanders reach for a gun upon waking up. Following their son’s death, the Sanders family filed a federal lawsuit accusing Quintana of excessive force. The city and family tried to negotiate a deal, but City Council members rejected the settlement by a 4-3 vote in late July. The council members have since tried to renegotiate a \$500,000 settlement. “The city instructed their lawyers to negotiate a settlement deal and they extended an offer of \$750,000,” said Adam Loewy, the family’s attorney. “My clients accepted it.” Loewy said the city has never broken a settlement deal before. “We believe that a deal is a deal,” Loewy said. “The city needs to live up to its end of the bargain.” Matt Curtis, an Austin City Council spokesman, said he could not comment on the lawsuit and referred questions to Mayor Lee Leffingwell.

— A.M.

BANK: UT organizations to shift accounts

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long been a consideration, but institutional rules stipulating that any money collected on campus has to be deposited to the Student Organization Bank or University account prevented the switch. Since the regents’ vote, student organizations have been able to seek out their own place to bank, and SG has urged students to close accounts before January. “We want people to move their accounts out by November 1st,” said Aryele Bradford, SG internal financial director, who was the main SG organizer for the event. “[But] if they don’t, we do have this backup timeline to help them transition and move them off-campus.” Some of the bank representatives at the fair said that with so many student organizations looking for banking options, their main goal is to inform students of the options they have to manage their account more effectively. “Organizations are more like a business,” said Philip Runyan, senior vice president for Frost Bank. “And that’s how Frost is going to assist those groups to understand how to do business.” Student leaders expressed



Caleb Bryant Miller | Daily Texan Staff

Ping-Chun Li, Wan Hsuan Li and Ming Hsuan Li of the Taiwanese Student Association listen to a pitch from a Wells Fargo employee in the Texas Union Ballroom on Wednesday morning.

mixed opinions about the banking change. “We’re not exactly thrilled by it,” said Vivian Le, secretary for the Undergraduate Forensics Organization. “[The Student Organization Bank] was really convenient and now that that’s gone, we have to go out on our own.”

Le added that because the organization is so small and has less money at its disposal, it does not need to use debit cards and online banking because it has fewer transactions to make. Patrick Creamer, vice president of finance for Engineers for a Sustainable World, milled around waiting to

speak to a representative from Regions Bank. “I don’t know [about the change] right now [because] hindsight is always 20/20,” he said. “I do figure there will be certain advantages like not as much bureaucracy dealing with a banking institution, and the hours will be better.”

UTPD: Data on calls for assistance released

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students, and two were listed as “valid,” meaning that the caller needed assistance. The system acts as a telephone and dials the campus police dispatch number. Once a call is placed, the dispatcher can pinpoint the location of the box and send an officer to the scene. “Several years back, a gentleman used the call box because he had an arrest warrant,” Pieper said. “He wanted to turn himself in.” There are nearly 120 boxes placed in mostly high-traffic areas throughout campus. Pieper said most calls were activated in the highest traffic areas — such as near dorms and libraries and along Speedway — during regular class days. But police also saw high call activity in areas that house special events, such as the Trinity Garage and the parking lots east of Interstate Highway 35. UTPD Officer Darrell Halstead said he would like to see more call boxes on campus.

“There are areas — up and down Robert Dedman [Drive] and the northwest part of campus — where we can increase the amount of coverage,” Halstead said. “But money is the big issue.”

“Several years back, a gentleman used the call box because he had an arrest warrant. He wanted to turn himself in.” — William Pieper UTPD officer

Call boxes cost anywhere between \$4,500 and \$7,500 to install, depending on power or voice line distances and infrastructure obstacles, said Liz Aebersold, di-

rector of the Office of the Vice President for Information Technology. Aebersold said the maintenance on the phone line cost \$175 annually. Pieper said a UT organization contacted campus police five years ago to ask for call box installations in West Campus. Because UT did not own the property, UTPD could not install them and the organization’s members went in front of City Council to petition for call boxes, he said. “It was nice to see that they were able to get them installed,” Pieper said. “Those report to the Austin Police Department.” Both Pieper and Halstead said they would like the call boxes to be used for their original purpose — for any type of assistance — and advised students not to abuse that objective. Activating the call box for no reason is a class B misdemeanor and can result in up to 180 days in jail and/or a \$2,000 fine.

POOL: Volunteers work to reopen, maintain facility

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“It was quite a flood,” said Robin Cravey, president of Friends of Barton Springs Pool. The Parks and Recreation Department is still exploring whether the Barton Creek bypass tunnel, a channel which carries water from several small springs alongside the Barton Springs Pool, received any damage. Although Wednesday’s cleaning was scheduled as a response to Hermine, the Friends of Barton Springs Pool hold cleaning events regularly on the first Thursday of every month except for November and December. Volunteers with the organization work year-round to maintain the pool and advocate for improvements to it. “Every year, attendance at the pool grows, and so we need first class facilities,” Cravey said.

ADDRESS: Powers plans to increase productivity

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American universities and in the private sector, rather than using graduate programs to staff undergraduate teaching,” he said. He also underlined the importance of the University to the state’s economy. Powers said every dollar spent at UT generates \$18 for the Texas economy, and that UT was awarded the second largest amount of research grants among public universities without a medical school. UT’s Aus-

tin Technology Incubator created more than 30 companies last year employing 183 people. Powers said UT has contributed greatly to Texas’ new knowledge economy. “Just look at the transformation of the Texas economy in the last 30 years. Look at Austin and Central Texas,” he said. “UT has played a major role, indeed major role, in that transformation.” Powers said average student loan debt remains relatively low — in May, half of the graduating undergraduates left UT with about \$24,000 in debt. Graduate students left with an average of about \$45,000 in debt. On the academic side of the coin, increasing productivity means attracting top faculty and graduate students. “Too many people think of higher education as a mere commodity to be cranked out on an assembly line like automobiles, a mentality that can focus on narrow and short-sighted metrics that don’t capture quality and the true value

of higher education,” Powers said. After the speech, Faculty Council Chairman Dean Neikirk said he was particularly happy to hear Powers prioritize quality. “But the idea [that productivity] it’s simply a number of people divided by some other number is silly,” Neikirk said. Neikirk said the real budget challenges will come next year when the Legislature makes the final decisions on how much UT needs to trim. Student Government Vice President Muneezeh Kabir said she was pleased to hear Powers discuss the new admission centers opening up around Texas. Normally, she said, she just hears general messages from the president’s office about becoming a better institution. Kabir said UT may suffer when the next round of budget cuts hits. After speaking with departments across campus, she said people reported that they managed to cut fat where there was no fat, but she worries about next year.

WOMEN: University gap decreases

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doctorates at UT had steadily increased, peaking at 20 percent in the 2007-08 year. However, even though women made up the minority of doctoral students at UT, 2008-09 also marked the first year in which that gap decreased. The graduate school played a role in this by trying to diversify graduate programs across campus, including gender, said Marvin Hackert, associate dean of Graduate Studies. Age was one of the main con-

licts, said Yuiko Matsumoto, a doctoral student in ecology, evolution and behavior. The most important time to obtain a doctoral degree is the early 30s, she said. “I think it’s still kind of difficult for women to succeed in a male-dominated tenure course,” Matsumoto said. “In order to succeed in tenure you have to have a big publication and success in the research area during that age. So once [a woman has] established tenure, then it’s [easier] for [her] to have kids. But by then you’re almost 40.”

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CORRECTIONS

Because of a reporting error, Wednesday’s page-one news story about David Foster Wallace’s archive at the Harry Ransom Center should have said the author died Sept. 12, 2008. Because of an editing error, Wednesday’s page-one photo accompanying the story on Wallace’s archive should have included a caption reading “Chris Gibson, a local actor who read David Foster Wallace’s 2005 commencement speech at Kenyon College, speaks to Owen Egerton, an acclaimed Austin author and performer prior to the event. Hundreds filled the Jessen Auditorium in Homer Rainey Hall to hear authors and performers read excerpts of the late novelist David Foster Wallace whose archives were donated to UT in March and opened to the public on Tuesday.”

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PG&E failed to complete gas line fixes records show

Regulators approved \$5m to fix aging main in 2007

By Marc Lifsher
Los Angeles Times

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — California regulators in 2007 gave Pacific Gas and Electric Co. the go-ahead to spend \$5 million of ratepayer money to replace a 62-year-old section of the same pipeline that exploded last week in San Bruno.

But the work, which was initially scheduled in 2009, was never done and this year the utility asked for another \$5 million to do the same job by 2013, according to documents submitted by PG&E to the California Public Utility Commission.

"There's no excuse for deferring maintenance of potentially compromised pipelines that run under customers' homes, businesses and schools," said Mark Toney, executive director of the Utility Reform Network. The ratepayer's group, known as TURN, monitors electric and gas companies.

"PG&E is responsible for maintaining the gas lines and has been given more than enough money to do so," Toney said.

In the 2011 request for capital expenditures, PG&E described the portion of the pipeline in South San Francisco, about 1.5 miles north of the segment that exploded, as ranking in "the top 100 highest risk line sections" in a 2007 evaluation.

"The pipe ... is located in a heavily urbanized area," PG&E wrote. "If the replacement of the pipe does not occur, risks associated with this segment will not be reduced ... The likelihood of a failure makes the risk of a failure at this location unacceptably high."



David Belluz | McClatchy-Tribune

First Lt. John Paszterko carries fresh ammunition during a two-hour firefight with insurgents near the village of Raysnar in Afghanistan on last Thursday. U.S. and allied forces launched a major offensive late Tuesday.

US launches Kandahar offensive

By Saeed Shah
McClatchy Newspapers

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — U.S.-led forces began a key operation Wednesday in the 9-year-old war in Afghanistan, meeting surprisingly little initial resistance in the district of the country that gave birth to the Taliban.

The offensive to secure Zhari, just west of Kandahar city, is part of the last phase of attempting to stabilize the crucial province of Kandahar by the end of this year.

It comes just ahead of Saturday's parliamentary elections, a day that's likely to be bloody, warned the top International Security Assistance Force commander in the south,

Maj. Gen. Nick Carter of Britain.

"If it is like last year," when presidential elections were held, "it will be a very violent day," Carter said in Kandahar. The Taliban "will want to make it violent enough for people to want to stay indoors."

At least 4,800 troops — half of them American, half Afghan — are taking part in the operation, military officials said. Troops moved into the insurgent-held "green zone" of Zhari, a strip of farmland that offers cover for guerrilla fighting.

With the American troop surge complete, ISAF commanders think that this autumn is the best chance they'll have to take the fight to the

insurgents before the U.S. and its allies begin to withdraw.

However, it's not clear whether the Taliban will stand and fight in Zhari or will manage to evade the offensive. The insurgents already have stepped up operations elsewhere in the country where there are allied troops. Security has deteriorated even in previously peaceful areas. Losses among international forces are at record levels.

"I thought we would have seen more resistance than we had," said Maj. Antwan Dunmyer, the battalion executive officer for the 1st Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment of the 101st Airborne. "They knew we were coming, or they knew some-



thing was coming soon. Either they evacuated the area or became 'regular' citizens of Afghanistan."

Tea Party win alters Senate fight dynamics

By David Lightman & William Douglas
McClatchy Newspapers

WASHINGTON — The Tea Party movement's upset victory Tuesday by an insurgent conservative in Delaware's Republican Senate primary puts GOP chances to win control of the U.S. Senate in November in serious jeopardy.

Among the Senate seats most analysts expected Republicans to gain was Delaware's, where the GOP establishment's choice for Senate nominee was moderate, Rep. Michael Castle.

O'Donnell's victory makes Republican control of the Senate a "lost cause," Munger said, "unless the depth of anti-Obama anger is bigger than anything we've seen."

The Tea Party movement has a political problem: It has yet to demonstrate that it can extend its reach to a broader constituency and it's split Republicans.

"Let there be no mistake: The National Republican Senatorial Committee strongly stand by all of our Republican nominees, including Christine O'Donnell in Delaware," said Sen. John Cornyn.

The NRSC said yesterday it would not support O'Donnell's bid.

Polls show that nine Democratic seats are in play; plus they're expected to pick up the North Dakota seat held by a retiring Democrat.

"Every month and every day is an election cycle of its own, and there's a long way to go. But we are doing well because they've [Democrats] sort of overreached," said Sen. Lindsey Graham.

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Powers addresses the state of UT

Editor's note: President William Powers Jr. delivered his fifth annual State of the University address Wednesday afternoon, identifying UT's budget priorities and its role as an institution of higher learning in Texas. The editors weigh in on the speech below:

Lauren:

The humanities are sometimes dismissed as inconsequential, especially when compared to hard sciences and other disciplines where a researcher can point to tangible results, such as a new pill or computer chip.

Accordingly, the humanities are often hit hardest in times of financial strain because external funding is harder to come by, and, on the surface, it's easy to dismiss the work of a researcher studying Virginia Woolf or American political rhetoric as unnecessary.

At his State of the University speech Wednesday, President Powers emphasized the importance of the humanities and said that even during a time of budget cuts, "we need to make sure they flourish." Powers articulated his belief that the arts and humanities are vital to our culture and influence everything from our understanding of democracy to our preparedness to interact with a global economy.

As UT moves forward and looks for ways to trim excess and restructure existing programs, it's reassuring to know that the University recognizes that humanities are a vital discipline and a top priority.

Viviana:

As the University reallocates money to its most lucrative and productive areas, decision-makers must first consider the quality of education UT is providing its students.

In his State of the University address, President Powers emphasized the importance of increasing productivity. But, as Powers noted, productivity is not just achieved by acquiring research funding; it can also be measured by its impact on society.

While investing in students can help them graduate within four years and, as a result, save the University money and resources, the benefits of investing in students extend far beyond savings.

As President Powers said in his speech, "Democracy is not possible without broadly educated citizens and well-educated leaders." Universities, he said, preserve our democracy.

It is clear that democracy cannot be successful without education in ethics, history, culture, communication, business and many other disciplines. We need citizens and leaders to understand the world around us.

By investing in its students, UT has the opportunity to help shape our democracy.

Dave:

In his address, President Powers noted that 41 percent of the state's savings from this past year's 5-percent budget reduction came from higher education, even though higher education comprises only 11 percent of the state's overall budget. Additionally, the percentage of UT's funding that comes from the state has decreased from 47 percent in 1984 to 14 percent today.

Since 1990, state support for UT has grown annually by only 1.9 percent, a rate that cannot even keep up with inflation. UT's funding per student has long lagged behind the rates of peer institutions, such as UCLA and UNC-Chapel Hill. The University has not been properly funded for years and now the Legislature wants to cut that paltry funding even more.

When it comes to state funding, UT is beholden to the Legislature, yet, the Legislature is accountable to Texas voters. If students truly care about the University, we must make funding for higher education an issue in this November's elections. Contact your current state representative and any candidates running for that position. Ask them their views on higher education and how they plan to approach next year's legislative session. Force their campaign to address an issue that affects the quality of life for all Texans as well as the economic security of our state. Students, faculty, staff and administrators must have an active role in the upcoming elections if UT is to continue to thrive.

Doug:

It was refreshing to hear President Powers reinforce UT's commitment to quality undergraduate education. A major theme of Powers' speech was the need to balance the University's educational priorities despite pressure to allocate the majority of resources toward more revenue-generating areas such as research and investments.

Powers' comments about the role of new technology were promising. He emphasized that new communications technology should enhance, but not replace, the classroom experience. In other words: online classes are not the future of UT.

However, I disagree with his dismissal of increasing the faculty teaching workload as "the single most destructive thing ... for our productivity." Powers claimed that increasing their teaching workload would "[take] away from other important tasks."

I understand that a top-tier faculty conducts revenue-generating research and gives the University prestige. However, using a distinguished faculty for teaching purposes should still be part of the discussion. (Additionally, tuition-paying students might resent the idea that their education distracts faculty from more important work.)

Overall, Powers' remarks on undergraduate instruction were encouraging. I just hope students remain the University's top priority.

Susannah:

In his State of the University address, President Powers spoke about the American Dream — fulfilling it, fostering it and pursuing it. He mentioned that dream a total of eight times in an hour-long address.

But the American Dream is a very lofty thing to throw around, considering nearly every American's dream most likely differs from everyone else's. All those different dreams put together — they amount to a pretty amorphous lot.

So what did President Powers mean by championing something he never quite explained? And why does he want UT students and staff to keep it in focus?

If you'll notice — and the text of President Powers' speech is available online — Powers discussed the American Dream in regard to specific examples of changes we should expect: budget cuts, growth, diversity and, most dramatically, communications technology.

Powers' message: Don't underestimate the long-term effects these changes promise to deliver, but realize that if we keep what's important in focus — problem-solving, efficiency and each other — the American Dream will survive.

Read the text of Powers' speech on UT's homepage, www.utexas.edu.

GALLERY



Learning to love UT

By Erin Gleim
Daily Texan Guest Columnist

"Anywhere but Texas!" There it was in black and white, taunting me. I wrote the goal in my "freshman letter," a note my freshman self wrote for my senior-self to read four years later. There I was, a senior in high school who, because of financial constraints, really had no say in her college decision. I had lived in Texas all my life, and I was stuck here for at least another four years.

I was actually embarrassed to wear burnt orange on college T-shirt day at my preppy private school. My friends got to put their college attendance pins all over the big map of the United States in my school's cafeteria, and mine had to be stuck within the borders of Texas.

I winced when I read "Erin O'Malley Gleim will be attending The University of Texas at Austin in the fall" on my graduation announcements. Seeing our names together in the graduation program was even worse.

I despised that stupid Longhorn bumper sticker on my mom's minivan. I got mad when my dad, a proud Texas Ex, started wearing all of his UT paraphernalia around the house. It made me sick to hear all of the wonderful stuff complete strangers had to say about a school I wanted nothing to do with.

But staying in denial about going to UT proved harder and harder as more and more burnt orange appeared in my wardrobe and among

my things. Suddenly I found myself in Austin doing typical freshman things: getting lost, actually stopping to talk with the Greenpeace reps and buying everything at the Co-op because I didn't know any better.

"Gone to Texas" completely changed my attitude toward UT — well, not completely, but it did start to make me realize just how excited everyone else was to be a Longhorn. Classes started the next day, and I honestly liked all of them. I continued to go through the motions: class, parties, treating Bevo bucks like Monopoly money, and I kept noticing little things helped me feel more at peace with my situation.

My college, the College of Communication, has a dean who won a Pulitzer Prize and a counseling department that's ranked best in the country. Our academic environment is just as serious and competitive as our athletics programs — a rare combination to be sure. A big university really just means more potential friends and a louder fight song at games (even sans yell leaders).

So now, a few weeks into my college experience, I can honestly say that I love being here at UT. I've realized that I didn't settle or get trapped into going to college here. I mean, how can you really settle for going to a school with top-ranked programs and professors? I know now just how lucky I am to be at UT.

Gleim is a journalism freshman.

THE FIRING LINE

No response from Student Government

Thank you, Student Government, for nothing.

Over the summer, a hurricane ravished the northern Mexican city of Monterrey. People died, hundreds were injured and thousands were left without any services. It was the worst storm to have hit the Monterrey area in its more than 400-year history.

Because Monterrey is known to be one of the richest cities in Mexico, many organizations hesitated to send assistance promptly. However, there is unimaginable poverty in the city. Thankfully, an international response came, and Monterrey started its recovery. Partial recovery will take at least eight months.

Yes, an international response came, but not from SG. Over the summer, I tried to contact SG President Scott Parks. In a fashion very uncharacteristic of previous SG presidents, he never replied to my e-mails.

I also tried to contact President William Powers Jr. I got an e-mail from his deputy, Charles Roeckle, who referred me to Scott Parks. Even with that recommendation from high above, Parks never replied.

When the crisis in Haiti happened, the University came together, but when the crisis in Mexico happened, we didn't help. And although there is no comparison between the levels of devastation, our bonds of friendship with Mexico are very strong.

They are our neighbors, brothers and sisters. Many students at UT are Mexican. If we were able to help out in Haiti, why couldn't we help out Mexico?

Scott: You have a long way to go if you want to live up to the promises of your campaign. At least answer your e-mails! Remember that not answering e-mails got Keshav in big trouble two years ago.

Students: Be aware that Student Government is not as hardworking as they tell you they will be.

Mexican students at UT: You are part of this community, too. Demand more of your Student Government.

— Ludwig Barragán
Mexican citizen and UT alum

LEGALESE

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GALLERY





Spanish and Portuguese junior Alejandra Spector listens to Cristian Alarcón's speech about narcotrafficking at Benedict Hall on Wednesday.

Mylan Torres | Daily Texan Staff

Author re-examines drug trade

Visiting journalist offers perspective on complexity of narcotics trafficking

Editor's note: Some portions of the event were translated from Spanish.

By Nick Mehendale
Daily Texan Staff

Chilean journalist and author Cristian Alarcón spoke to a group of about 30 students Wednesday about his new book on the lives of people involved with drug trafficking in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where he spent several years working as a reporter.

At the lecture, which Alarcón delivered in Spanish, he discussed his new book on nar-

cotics trafficking called "Si Me Querés, Quereme Transa" (If You Love Me, Love Me as a Dealer), which documents the battles for territory between Peruvian drug dealers.

"I wanted to understand the intensity of the lives of the people that live in illegality," he said.

Alarcón is the director of the Ibero-American New Journalism Foundation in Argentina. He was awarded the North American Congress of Latin America's Samuel Chavkin Award in best nonfiction for his first book "Cuando Me Muera, Quiero Que Me Toquen Cumbia" (When I Die, I Want Them to Play Cumbia).

Gabriela Polit, assistant pro-

fessor in the department of Spanish and Portuguese, set up the discussion to give students and faculty a different perspective about the state of Buenos Aires.

"He is able to provide a very unique grasp of the state [of crime] in Buenos Aires," Polit said. "This provides students with, not only an example of great literature, but a sociological approach to the situation."

In his book, Alarcón looks at drug trafficking from the perspective of the individuals involved. He said many people who traffic drugs are not inherently evil but feel like society offers no other options.

Alarcón said he became interested in the lives of drug traffick-

ers while working as a journalist covering deaths from drug-related violence.

"A lot of what we know about the topic in Argentina, we know because of his writings," said sociology professor Javier Auyero, who attended the discussion. "With Cristian at our side, we see that the world of trafficking is a much more complex universe. One not only governed by profit-seeking but by honor, vengeance and a constant search for dignity and recognition."

Alarcón said he wanted to try to make readers grasp new realities of what is going on around them.

"I wanted to question the way the nonfiction genre offers readers questions," he said.

McCombs, Moncrief honored at stadium

Statues dedicated to two esteemed alumni show appreciation for charity

By Matthew Stottlemire
Daily Texan Staff

After a year in the making, two new statues of Red McCombs and W.A. "Tex" Moncrief were unveiled inside the Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium.

The two bronze statues cost \$126,000 each and were paid for by the athletic department, said Jim Baker, events and operations associate athletic director. He said a committee was formed about a year ago to take charge of commissioning the statues.

McCombs and Moncrief are both well-known philanthropists and supporters of the University and its athletic department. The statues sit in the Red McCombs Red Zone, named for McCombs, in the north end of the stadium. An athletic center named for Moncrief sits at the south end of the stadium.

George Lundeen created the statue of McCombs, and Edward Hlavka created the Moncrief statue. Baker said the sculptors were chosen after many others were considered.

"They are two great scul-

tures of two great people who really care about the University," Baker said. "[The statues of McCombs and Moncrief were commissioned] in recognition of both of them and everything they have given to the University and athletic department."

Peter Frumkin, a professor in the LBJ School of Public Affairs, said the universal motivation for contribution is identifying with the organizations individuals give to.

"Identification is the mother of philanthropy," Frumkin said. "People who graduate from here feel some obligation to give back because they feel the University of Texas was the engine that got their career going."

McCombs attended the law and business schools at UT after he got out of the U.S. Army in 1947. He is also an active businessman and has been involved in more than 300 business ventures in the past 20 years, according to the McCombs School of Business website.

Moncrief graduated from UT in 1942 with a degree in petroleum engineering. His most recent contribution to the University came in 2009 when he donated \$18 million to create an engineering endowment, according to the University's website.



Shannon Kintner | Daily Texan Staff

The new statue of Red McCombs in the Red McCombs Red Zone food court welcomes visitors into the stadium.

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NATURAL SCIENCES CAREER SERVICES



Raul Gutierrez and Maria Ramirez operate their concessions stand at the Mexican independence bicentennial festival Wednesday afternoon.

Festival celebrates bicentennial

By Destinee Hodge
Daily Texan Staff

The Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center saw a flurry of red, green and white Wednesday as hundreds of people gathered for the Fiesta del Grito de Independencia bicentennial celebration.

The event, which celebrated 200 years of Mexican independence, kicked off with a reception for the donors in the center’s upstairs art gallery.

“I think [this event] is important because Mexico is our neighbor,” said Gloria Mata-Pennington, chairwoman for the Fiesta de Independencia Committee. “We have so many Latinos living in this area that we need to preserve our culture and our history.”

Mata-Pennington has served as head of the committee for 14 years out of the organization’s 20-year existence.

Hundreds roamed the gallery to view portraits by Austin-based photographer Diego Huerta. The photos gave a glimpse into one of the last indigenous cultures in Mexico.

Outside, people waited for the public program, which included performances by the Austin Symphony, Ballet Folklórico and Mariachi Tamazula. The plaza was inundated with Mexican flags and vendors selling various foods ranging from homemade corn tortillas to Mexican ice cream.

Both political officials and event planners said the celebration was integral in keep-

ing Mexican identity alive and showing appreciation to Mexican-Americans for their cultural contributions.

“The Hispanic population is so important to the city of Austin,” said Mayor Lee Leffingwell. “They have a wonderful culture that they have maintained and we appreciate the diversity they bring to our community.”

Rosie Mendez, a member on the event’s committee board, said that the event provided a sense of belonging to a group of people who make up a large part of the Texas population.

“Even though [Mexico] is not our home anymore, it’s still our culture and it’s still a part of [Mexican-American] heart and soul,” Mendez said.

The event culminated with a reenactment of Hidalgo’s call — or “Grito de Dolores” — of independence by Consul General of México, Rosalba Ojeda.

Numerous Mexican-American activists lined the pathway just outside the building to speak against social inequality. One banner read “no more bloodshed” in Spanish, referencing the current conditions in Mexico because of the drug war. Others implored both Mexicans and Americans to encourage Mexican President Felipe Calderón to create more jobs.

ON THE WEB:
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Economy slumps, students remain focused on future

Survey shows increased graduate school registry among nations’ schools

By Allison Harris
Daily Texan Staff

More students applied to graduate schools as the nation went into the 2008 recession, according to a report by the Council of Graduate Schools.

According to the report, which surveyed 699 higher education institutions in the United States and was released on Tuesday, applications to graduate schools rose by 8.3 percent between fall 2008 and fall 2009. That number is nearly double the average annual increase of 4.8 percent during the past decade.

A preliminary report issued Aug. 19 found applications to graduate schools rose even higher — by 9 percent — in 2009.

Stuart Heiser, a spokesman for the council, said graduate school applications have historically increased during recessions. After the dot-com bubble burst, graduate schools in the U.S. saw applications increase by 6 percent in 2001 and 13 percent in 2002.

Graduate program coordinator Barry Levitch said the UT electrical and computer engineering program had a 10-percent increase in applications in 2008. He said applications rose by 20 percent in 2009.

“Since there’s usually a demand for workers with these

skills in the market, whenever the economy is suffering, it’s probably going to affect these workers more,” he said. “When the economy rebounds, there’s going to be more demand for graduates with tech and science backgrounds.”

Health science programs across the U.S. saw an increase of 14.6 percent in graduate applications in 2008, according to the council’s report — more than any other field. However, Kathryn McWilliams, UT nutritional science graduate coordinator, said the program has not seen a significant jump in applications.

She said the program has received more applications from people without scientific backgrounds who may have been laid off in other areas of work.

“People are often changing careers now,” she said. “They’re trying to get more skills, maybe go into a different field.”

Renee Stubbins, a nutrition sciences graduate student, said she applied to graduate school to expand her undergraduate degree in the same field. She said the recession was not an important part of her decision to return to school, but it was on some of her friends’ minds. Stubbins said she was happy with her decision to go to graduate school.

“Even though we don’t make a lot as graduate students, we have a degree of financial security because they always need TAs,” she said.

“When the economy rebounds, there’s going to be more demand for graduates with tech and science backgrounds.”

— **Barry Levitch**
Graduate program coordinator

UFC

Marquardt TKOs Palhares in first round

Erwin Center hosts UFC for first time; main event sees controversial ending

By Will Anderson
Daily Texan Staff

Immediately after losing via technical knockout in the main event of Ultimate Fight Night 22, Rousimar Palhares jumped up and asked the referee to check Nathan Marquardt's legs for grease. Marquardt had just slipped free of Palhares' submission attempt before wheeling around and pummeling the Brazilian with fists to win via TKO at 3:28 of the first round.

But the referee checked Marquardt's legs and declared them clean. The commissioner came to the same conclusion, handing the American a win at the UFC's first-ever event in Austin. "After the fight he was complaining. He thought I had something slippery on my legs," Marquardt said. "I was very excited for the win but that kind of took a little bit out of it for me ... I'm not a dirty fighter, and I don't cheat and I don't grease."

The main event started tentatively with both fighters testing their jab. Marquardt



Jeff Heimsath | Daily Texan Staff

Rafael Natal lunges at Rich Attonito during their fight on Wednesday. Attonito defeated Natal via unanimous decision.

(33-9-2), coming off the first loss of his UFC career, didn't take long to change the pace. He locked up Palhares (20-3), took him to

the ground and immediately attempted a leg triangle against the Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu specialist.

"I didn't feel in danger at all [on

the ground]," Marquardt said. "I train with some of the best guys in the world on the ground and I felt completely confident."

Eventually Palhares rolled over and gained side-mount.

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SIDELINE

WHAT TO WATCH



College Football
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Date: Tonight
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On air: ESPN

THIS DAY IN
SPORTS HISTORY

September 16, 2006

Texas defeats Rice 52-7 in Colt McCoy's first start on the road. McCoy completed seven of eight passes for 124 yards and one touchdown. The running game paved the way with 330 yards, led by Jamaal Charles and Selvin Young, who both eclipsed 100 yards on the day.

WEEK 3:
BIG 12 FOOTBALL
SCHEDULE

Friday

Kansas at Southern Miss, 7 p.m.

Saturday

Iowa State at Kansas State, 11 a.m.

Air Force at Oklahoma, 2:30 p.m.

Nebraska at Washington, 2:30 p.m.

Hawaii at Colorado, 2:30 p.m.

Baylor at TCU, 3:30 p.m.

San Diego State at Missouri, 6 p.m.

Tulsa at Oklahoma State, 6 p.m.

Florida International at Texas A&M, 6 p.m.

Texas at Texas Tech, 7 p.m.

SPORTS
BRIEFLY

Senior running back McGee ruled academically ineligible

Head coach Mack Brown announced Wednesday that senior running back Vondrell McGee lost his appeal to the NCAA over "unresolved academic eligibility issues," and will no longer be able to play football at Texas. McGee will stay at UT though, and is on schedule to graduate this December after completing his final nine hours of coursework.

McGee was not allowed to play in the Longhorns' first two games. He sat out against Rice as punishment for receiving a DWI in the spring and didn't play against Wyoming because of the pending appeal to the NCAA.

Brown declined to comment about the details of McGee's academic problems because of student privacy laws, but did express sympathy toward the situation.

"He's disappointed that he's not getting to play," Brown said. "Vondrell is a tough young man. He was embarrassed by his slip-up in the spring. He's been a great young man for us. The one public slip-up is the only thing he's ever had even close to bad, and I'm really disappointed for him that he's not going to get to finish right."

Over his career at Texas, McGee rushed for 973 yards on 219 carries and scored 14 touchdowns. He played in 35 games and started in seven.

With McGee gone, Brown might have to look to junior Jeremy Hills, who has asked to redshirt, or freshman Traylon Shead to play if junior Fozzy Whittaker, sophomore Tre' Newton or junior Cody Johnson get hurt.

— Laken Litman

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FOOTBALL

Gilbert faces first Big 12 road test

By Laken Litman
Daily Texan Staff

Garrett Gilbert has never played in a true road game. He's never played in a Big 12 game for that matter, either. In fact, the three games he has played in for Texas, the majority of the crowd has been cheering in his favor. That won't be the case this Saturday when the Longhorns travel to Lubbock to play Texas Tech, one of the most hostile environments in college football.

"I'd rank Texas Tech as the craziest environment by far," said senior cornerback Curtis Brown.

Gilbert's teammates and coaches aren't worried about the first-year starter playing his first conference game in Lubbock, though. Rowdy fans, crude words, flying tortillas; Gilbert says bring them on.

"Not much impresses Gar-

rett," head coach Mack Brown said. "His pedigree with his dad, growing up with pro football ... celebrities don't impress him. I'll bring stuff up or introduce him to someone and he'll say, 'Hi, how are you?' and then go watch film. It's just not his personality ... I don't think that stuff will bother him."

In his first three games, Gilbert has played in front of more than 93,000 people in the national championship at the Rose Bowl, more than 70,000 in Houston at Reliant Stadium on opening weekend and more than 100,000 last weekend at Darrell K Royal-Memorial Stadium, so he's become immune to the large crowds.

But unruly fans are something Gilbert has never personally faced before, as away games in high school aren't quite the same

caliber as those in the Big 12.

Last year the coaches took Gilbert to every away game so that he could get used to the venues prior to playing in them, so he's seen the fans hanging over the stands and benches, screaming at his team.

"But it is different when it's your name they're using and it's your family they're questioning," said offensive coordinator Greg Davis. "You just have to go with it."

Communication is always key, but is especially important when the crowd is over-the-top boisterous like it will be in Lubbock. The use of hand signals will be crucial in keeping Gilbert and his receivers on the same page and it will also test Gilbert's leadership.

"I'm ready for the noise,"

GILBERT continues on page 8

Jewish holiday coincides with football yet again



By Dan Hurwitz
Daily Texan
Columnist

Does the University of Texas Athletic Department and the TV networks have something against Jews? Is there another explanation? For the second year straight, Jews will have to decide either to watch a Longhorn football game or spend a long day at Synagogue to celebrate one of the holiest days on the Jewish calendar.

Last year, the game fell on Rosh Hashanah — the Jewish new year. This year, Yom Kippur — pretty much the most important day of the year for Jews — falls on a college football Saturday.

After ditching my family last year to attend the game, this time I will find myself in Houston, praying all day, rather than on a long road trip to Lubbock. I had a difficult time making my decision last year. But not this time.

I think I would take a day full of fasting and sitting in Synagogue any day over a seven-hour car ride to Lubbock, of all places.

Yom Kippur is a day of atonement, and I would not be able to forgive myself had I chosen to be at the Jones AT&T Stadium.

Even though my choice was easy to make this year, others (especially those of us in the media) are probably having a tough time deciding what to do.

Everyone keeps saying that Jews run the media. If this is true, then wouldn't we all do something to hold these games off until a later date?

Instead, iPhones and Blackberrys will be out during services as everyone subtly checks scores.

Something needs to be done. How about the next time this problem arises, the only games scheduled for the week are between Christian schools.

Notre Dame and BYU can take the spotlight, and everyone else can take a bye.

But it appears that it is a little too late to start worrying about what we can do the next time that we run into this problem.

Next year, the worst case scenario will come up as Yom Kippur will coincide with the Red River Rivalry on Oct. 8, 2011. Give us Jews a break. Haven't we suffered enough? Isn't there a way to avoid this kind of problem? It's not like the holiday is like Thanksgiving where you sit around all day and have fun and feast.

Yom Kippur is not a lively holiday. You pray. And then pray. And then pray a little more. Some prayers get repeated.

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Derek Stout | Daily Texan Staff

Garrett Gilbert is chased by defensive end Cheta Ozougwu during Texas' 34-17 win over Rice in Houston. Gilbert has yet to be sacked this season.

VOLLEYBALL

Defensive stalwarts accept offensive roles

By Shabab Siddiqui
Daily Texan Staff

The debate over whether offense is the best defense or defense is the best offense is one that may keep coaches and military generals entrenched in a theoretical back-and-forth forever.

Longhorn middle blockers Rachael Adams and Jennifer Doris don't delve into the debate. They know that in order to be the best, the duo will have to do a whole bunch of both.

"[Head coach Jerrett Elliott] told us earlier this season that we're

going to have to get more involved [offensively]," Doris said. "It's a focal point for us and it's going to come with each day and each match one step at a time."

With the departure of All-American Destinee Hooker, Elliott has chosen to employ a more balanced offensive attack, utilizing the team's depth at the hitter position.

The change meant that the team's two experienced middle blockers would continue to have to hold their own defensively, while also doubling their offensive output

from last year. As expected, Adams and Doris lead the team in total blocks with 29 and 24, respectively. A less emphasized statistic is that they have the top two hitting percentages among those on the team who have played in every set.

Adams posted a breakout performance in last weekend's match-up against Florida, notching 14 kills and eight blocks. The team fell down 0-2 and had dropped nine of their previous 12 sets

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Erika Rich | Daily Texan Staff

Middle blockers Rachael Adams, left, and Jennifer Doris, intimidate opposing teams with their defense.



Jeff Heimsath | Daily Texan Staff

The UFC came to Austin for the first time on Wednesday at the Frank Erwin Center. The 7,724 people in attendance reportedly drew a live gate of \$595,900, making it one of the most successful UFC Fight Night events ever.

UFC: Brazilian fighter takes co-main event win, take down award

From page 7

Marquardt pulled up his legs to gain some breathing room and the Brazilian attempted one of his signature ankle locks.

“I know he’s an ankle-lock master and, to be honest, when he went for it, it was very telegraphed,” Marquardt said. “I saw his submission coming from pretty far away.”

Marquardt said he was sweaty enough to slip out of Palhares’ grip and from there it only took a well-placed right straight and some ground-and-pound to send everyone home early.

In the card’s co-main event, Efrain Escudero and Charles Oliveira faced off in a catch-weight match after Escudero failed to make the lightweight cutoff of 156 pounds at weigh-in.

In the third round, Oliveira struck the first serious blow when he inadvertently kicked Escudero in the groin. After a short break, the two came back together in the middle of the ring, although the action ground to a halt less than a minute later when Escudero paid the young Brazilian back with a knee directly to the crotch.

Oliveira was in obvious pain but got back to his feet in a few minutes. After trading strikes, Oliveira caught Escudero’s kick and took him down. The pair stood up with Oliveira still in control, and after a few seconds the 21-year-old Brazilian leapt onto his opponent’s back, looking to sink in a choke.

Escudero appeared to have his chin lowered and the choke was thwarted at first. But Oliveira kept at it and within seconds Escudero (14-2) tapped while still standing.

Oliveira (14-0) won his second-straight UFC bout as well as submission of the night honors, which netted him an additional \$40,000.

GILBERT: Leadership, attitude prepares team

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Gilbert said. “We’re going to have to talk on the sideline and on the field be loud and smart. I’m looking forward to the test of being there in that huddle, in that situation.”

Gilbert’s leadership is still a work in progress, but he is evolving and his coaches and teammates say he’s a natural leader through his work ethic. Gilbert has a laid-back, calm attitude that makes it seem like he’s never worked up or stressed, and that puts the rest of the team at ease.

“The thing about leadership, especially from the quarterback position, it’s the more notches you get on the belt, the more you have,” Davis said. “Garrett is more talkative than you think. We probably had this same conversation after Colt [McCoy’s] second start.”

In a game of firsts — first road game, first conference game, first hostile environment and first visit to Lubbock — Gilbert said he’s ready.

“I’m very excited, it’ll be a great test for us and a challenge offensively,” he said. “I’m really looking forward to the environment and the fact that we’re going out there to test ourselves and fight.”

VOLLEYBALL: Leaders on defense help each other, team get better

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before Adams fueled the comeback. Though the Longhorns eventually lost the fifth set, it proved to be a defining moment for the junior.

“I think something kind of clicked halfway through,” Adams said. “I felt I personally needed to take this into my hands.”

Adams’ own high standards for herself tend to result in her trying to do too much, an element of her game she’s worked on fixing in the last few games.

“It’s funny because in the beginning of the season, I put so much pressure on myself that I couldn’t even play in the game,” Adams said. “Now when [assistant coach Salima Rockwell] asks me if I’m ready to play before every game, I joke I don’t care about volleyball. It keeps me relaxed.”

The biggest transition for the 6-foot-2 Adams has been jumping from a role player on a national runner-up team to becoming a vocal leader for this year’s team that features six new faces.

“If we want things to change, we have to change it ourselves,” Adams said. “Last year, we would sit back and let our other teammates step up, but now that’s us. As upperclassmen, we have to lead the way, and I don’t think I really realized it until [last weekend].”

Being a vocal force isn’t something that naturally meshes with the soft-spoken Doris, one of the team’s only two fourth-year players. Doris said that while she has worked on trying to talk more on the court, she has found other ways to help the freshmen get acclimated to the team.

“For me, I try to build more relationships with the players and help them off the court,” Doris said. “I’m also trying to be more aggressive and assertive on it.”

As the Longhorns head to College Station today to take on the Aggies, they will continue to look to Adams and Doris. Meanwhile, the duo will continue to look to each other.

“We help each other every single day in practice,” Doris said. “We talk to each other shot-wise and about what we need to do to get better.”

HOLIDAY: Religion doesn’t get in the way of football

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ed at least a half dozen times.

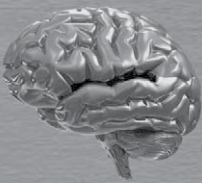
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Government associate professor Sean Theriault delivers a lecture entitled “The Gingrich Senators” at Batts Hall on Wednesday morning.

Professor eyes senators’ actions

Professor’s research shows GOP-led senate’s impact on legislature, government

By Shivam Purohit
Daily Texan Staff

More than half of the 33 Republican U.S. senators elected during the “Republican Revolution” are the most conservative senators in Congress today, associate government professor Sean Theriault said on Wednesday.

To celebrate the government department’s 100th birthday, Theriault discussed the impact of the “Gingrich Senators,” who were elected under former

House Speaker Newt Gingrich in 1994.

According to an article Theriault wrote for The Huffington Post, the Gingrich Senators include 33 former and current GOP lawmakers who served in the U.S. House of Representatives prior to their Senate careers.

“My research shows that these 31 senators (18 of whom are still serving) have had an incredible effect on the Senate,” he wrote in the article.

Theriault is currently researching party polarization in Congress for his second book on the impact of the Gingrich Senators. He said the conser-

vative senators have caused increased partisanship in recent years.

Theriault said he first gained interest in the topic after seeing how rapidly the Senate was changing.

“This matter is becoming only more interesting in the light of the recent Tea Party movement,” he said.

Using examples of prominent politicians — including Republican senators Sam Brownback, Kan.; Mike Crapo, Idaho; and John McCain, Ariz. — Theriault argues that the Gingrich Senators “are nearly twice as conservative as their fellow Republicans.”

“They are less likely than their fellow Republicans to support the confirmation of Democratic presidents’ appointees and to work across the aisle to find legislative solutions,” he wrote in the article.

Theriault said it is a critical time to become informed on the topic.

“It is essential for students to become informed about this issue because the existence of these folks has consequences and it is our duty as voters to identify them,” he said. “In order to develop a more effective and amiable Senate ... serious actions must be taken. We need pragmatic problem solvers.”

Socialist group offers, supports alternative ideas

By Amy Thornton
Daily Texan Staff

At its first meeting of the semester, Austin’s International Socialist Organization, or ISO, a group of students made the case that a socialist system could solve the nation’s financial and social problems.

The presentation served as both an introduction of the group’s Austin chapter and an overview of socialism to interested students and community members. As a campus Marxist organization, ISO supports activism on campus and in the community through events such as study groups, meetings, protests and rallies.

“Our main purpose is to discuss how capitalism is a dead-end system and show socialism as an alternative,” said Kelly Booker, a UT alumna and one of the presenters at the event. “We wanted the discussion to serve as a kickoff to what we hope will be a semester of activism.”

The Austin ISO chapter has an active membership of approximately 20 students and community members working to spread socialist ideals, addressing alternatives to war, economic crises, environmental issues and racism.

Communication junior Michael Schwartz has been a member since his freshman year, adding that he sees the organization and socialism as vital, both locally and nationwide.

“Even at UT there are huge struggles for justice,” Schwartz said. “It is important to make sure that the University is not solely a mechanism for profit.”

Schwartz’s opinion reflects that of the chapter, which does not focus solely on national issues — budget cuts and faculty downsizing are just as much of a concern as corporate domination, he said.

Communication associate professor Dana Cloud said she is concerned about the problems facing UT, particularly in relation to the way the budget cuts affect the overall educational capabilities of the institution.

Cloud, a member and faculty contact, said the organization is disturbed that UT is among the many universities that are downsizing and cutting educational staples such as library holdings, teaching assistant jobs, language courses and faculty salaries.

Through its meetings and forums, the Austin chapter aims to bring awareness to these and other issues. Besides holding study groups and events, the chapter meets weekly at 7 p.m. in Parlin 105. Starting Saturday, the chapter will also be holding a weekly study series titled “The Meaning of Marxism” at 11 a.m. at Einstein Bros. Bagels on Guadalupe Street. Designed to address the “ongoing crises of capitalism,” the series will examine the ways that Marxism still offers fresh and relevant answers.

“We are putting forth the perspective that we need to change the world and that we should do so because all of these problems are connected,” Cloud said.

Congress lacks experience in intelligence field

By Lauren Bacom
Daily Texan Staff

Members of Congress have insufficient experience in the intelligence community, said Amy Zegart, an intelligence expert and associate professor at the UCLA School of Public Affairs.

Of the 535 Congress members, only two have intelligence experience and only 5 percent of the House Intelligence Committee are long-term members. The capabilities of these committees are small as well, she said.

Zegart spoke Wednesday night to an audience of about 50 intelligence and policy ex-

perts as well as professors and graduate students at Sid Richardson Hall. Her speech, “Eyes on Spies: The Domestic Sources of Weak Intelligent Oversight,” concentrated on the minimal amount of intelligence representation in Congress.

“Electoral incentives and institutional prerogative are the root of the problem,” she said. “Congress has rational reasons to tie its own hands even when national security stakes are high.”

Francis Gavin, director of the Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law, said he asked Zegart to speak because of

her expertise and experience in the intelligence field.

“We need to be able to identify threats and opportunities before they emerge,” he said. “A key component of having this success is the way our intelligence institutions are structured, staffed and governed. It is a complicated situation that can be improved upon.”

Zegart said two barriers to the improvement of congressional oversight are electoral incentives and congressional turf. When polled about political concerns, American citizens voted intelligence dead last.

“I don’t have a lot of faith that it will change,” she said.

Zegart served on the National Security Council during the Clinton Administration in 1993 and has also provided intelligence training to military and federal officials. She has written two books, “Flawed by Design” and “Spying Blind,” which outline the deficiencies of government intelligent agencies. “Spying Blind” specifically focuses on the agencies’ inability to adapt to the rising threat of terrorism subsequently leaving the nation vulnerable to the 9/11 terrorist attacks.



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Amy Zegart, an associate professor at the UCLA School of Public Affairs, speaks with Robert Love, a graduate student in public affairs, after a lecture on International Security on Wednesday afternoon.

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Across

1 Stop on it

4 Caffé go-with

9 Like some 21-Acrosses

14 Headbanger's instrument

15 Stadium sign

16 Traveler who carries his own bag

17 See 38-Across

19 "Give it ____"

20 "____ to Kill" (Sandra Bullock movie)

21 Certain stampeder

23 Agents' handfals

24 Mid sixth-century year

25 Et ____

26 Starting pitcher

27 Ming of the N.B.A.

29 Common costume for a costume party

31 Lab blowup: Abbr.

32 Top 10 singer born in Nigeria

34 Question before "And how!"

36 Life

38 73-Across, in 17-Across

41 Vacation vehicle

44 Christiansen, founder of the Lego company

45 Verb with "thou"

49 Reply to Captain Kirk

50 Quantum Computer Services, today

52 Chemical suffix

54 "Phooey!"

55 Fire

57 Cong. established it in 1958

59 Well feature

61 Focuses (on)

63 ____ deux

64 Transmission conduits, of a sort

65 Responder to 38-Across on 4/15/1912

Down

1 Beach shelters

2 Strange things

3 Came (from)

4 Flinky-dink

5 Singer Ocasek of the Cars

6 Rock genre

7 Runway user

8 Joni Mitchell song with the lyric "She was swallowed by the sky"

9 "On the double!"

10 White House girl

11 Asthmatic's need

12 Yom Kippur activity

13 One way to dress

18 Scott's "wee"

22 Rushed

24 Part of the "De Campdown" refrain

28 New wings

30 Terminate a relationship

33 Cuts and splices film, e.g.

35 Snake's place

68 Rightmost column in the periodic table

69 Indo-____

70 The Yankees play on it during the summer: Abbr.

71 What might do a foul tip?

72 Talk show host Gibbons

73 See 38-Across

Puzzle by Barry Boone

37 Mrs. Woodrow Wilson

39 Longtime Chicago Bears coach

40 Mexico's national flower

41 "The Great Gatsby" setting

42 Prerequisite for many a prescription

43 Flower named for its smell

46 Embarrasses

47 Married

48 Ultimatums, say

51 Like some church matters

53 Neighbor of Francia

56 Typical Clint Eastwood role

58 Catch

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Thanks, Jane. I'm on location in D.C. where Mrs. President + a mostly female senate have declared it legal to murder any male citizen.

After they realized how all men are complete flaming dicks. Steph out.

How shocking... We'll be back with how homosexuals will be spared from the effects of this new law, after these messages.

And then I realized he was never going to give me what I needed so what I really needed was for him to STOP BREATHING!

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JULEP: ‘Shaken, not stirred’ a rule of thumb for cocktail

From page 12

Joe Nickell in his book “The Kentucky Mint Julep.”

By the time it reached the Virginia Commonwealth, present-day Kentucky, around the end of the 18th century, the julep was used to mask rough spirits or liquors which were also thought to have medicinal properties.

“The whole reason cocktails began was because back in the day, when people first began with raw, basic distillation, the liquor didn’t taste good,” said Adam Harris, Maker’s Mark Distillery Diplomat and host of the Austin Julep Cup competition. “So you had to mask these flavors with some sugar or a juice. As spirits became better and better, people began to balance their cocktails more appropriately.”

While they didn’t have many roses for rosewater, Kentucky provided an abundance of mint that flourished during the long spring season.

Once you’ve picked your leaves, you can’t just plo p them into the cocktail. You have to bruise them to release the aromatics and flavors.

“You actually can bruise gin as well,” Sapien said. “You remember James Bond’s line, ‘Shaken, not stirred?’ The reason for that is when you shake it, you bruise the juniper in the gin and it does change the fla-

vor. When you bruise, you release.”

The other key ingredient to the mint julep is, of course, Kentucky bourbon. Like champagne is to Champagne, France, or tequila is to Tequila, Mexico, there’s nowhere else you can make bourbon.

Your choice of bourbon greatly changes the sweetness or potency of the mint julep. For example, Maker’s Mark gives a sweeter finish, while Bulleit Bourbon leaves you with that notorious whiskey kick.

The two biggest “thou shalt nots” of mint juleps are adding soda water or lime. As they say in the South, “them’s fightin’ words” or, in this case, “fightin’ ingredients.” Soda water dilutes the flavors and lime results in a bizarre bourbon mojito. Like many Southern generalities, a proper mint julep respects tradition and is a product of love and hospitality.

“When you make a mint julep, you have to prepare to make it for someone you care about, because it does take a good bit of time,” Harris said, before adding that it usually takes him five minutes to make one. “If you rush through it, it’s not going to taste the same. And if you make it the wrong way, the emotion and the care that you give the drink doesn’t translate to the enjoyment of the drink.”

AVIATION: Sky’s the focus at Austin museum

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“We wanted to take it further and cover all of [flight], to say, ‘Look how far we’ve come,’” said Timothy Dillon, director of marketing and media affairs at the museum.

Although the first inspiration for the event was the centennial celebration of the first flight in Texas, the exhibit goes beyond the people of that era, widening its scope to reveal the lives of legends past and present, and pays homage to some of the unsung heroes of aviation.

“Even though they were lesser-known individuals, they’re no less worthy of having their story be told,” said Barbara Ganson, an associate professor at Florida Atlantic University and UT alumna, who served as guest curator for the exhibition.

The exhibit is full of these tales, with men and women of many backgrounds and cultures, bringing a degree of humanity to the models and machinery on display in the exhibit. Even the quietest corner of the exhibit roars to life, as the heroic deeds of Medal of Honor recipient Roy Benavidez are depicted in powerful detail.

This was a man who, during the Vietnam War, flew in to help evacuate soldiers in distress, only to be shot in the face, head and arm. Despite his injuries, he defended and administered morphine to the wounded. With grenade shrapnel in his back

and injuries to his liver, Benavidez persevered, calling in assistance and making it out with the soldiers, even though his body was so exhausted he couldn’t move and was nearly mistaken for dead.

Ganson embarked on her own journey of sorts, spending more than a year and a half interviewing essential figures in aviation, from pilots to engineers and designers, and exploring the origins and development of flight in its many forms. She even brought focus in on a group that restores earlier aircrafts to share and maintain history for generations to come. Of the restoration group was Arvester “Wat” Watkins, a former Marine who now works as a member of Vought Heritage, who helped restore a half-scale F4U-4 Corsair that is displayed in the exhibit, alongside a video detailing the plight of their group as a whole.

“You take pride in building [these planes],” Watkins said.

It is with this connection between the beginnings of flight in mind that the exhibit merges history with modern times, creating a blend that highlights the true scope of how far Texas has come since Louis Paulhan’s first flight in the state on a wood and canvas aircraft. The chain of innovation revealed in the aviation world manifests itself into the collection as it features the largest number of interactive components at any one section of the museum to date, accord-



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Attendees of “Tango-Alpha-Charlie: Texas Aviation Celebration” view a scale model of a Navy plane at The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum.

ing to Dillon.

Yet another link forms between the current reality to theirs, as visitors have the opportunity to become barnstormers like Bessie Coleman and fly her plane with the use of classic joystick controls to landing an airplane with the use of two Wiimotes as batons to help guide aircrafts safely down the runway. The technology of the exhibit even puts the 100 years of aviation at visitors’ fingertips; an iPad-inspired device features a touch screen that displays even more colorful tales on three screens. Even the benches become storytellers in this exhibit, as the usual wooden variety was switched out for seats from the Austin-Bergstrom Airport.

WHAT: Tango Alpha Charlie: Texas Aviation Celebration

WHERE: Bob Bullock Texas History Museum

WHEN: Sept. 12 - Jan. 9

TICKETS: \$7 for adults, \$6 for students with a valid student ID

Ganson expressed her hope that people will walk away from the exhibit with a newfound appreciation for how essential the people in aviation have been.

“Everyone takes flight for granted but it was truly spectacular what these Texans could do, from thrilling crowds to protecting U.S. interests in wartime and peacetime,” Ganson said.

ROLES: Performers experience unique twist in casting, step out of comfort zones

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original opening and closing for the show.

Many of the students just wanted the opportunity to portray roles that they normally would never be cast in because of their gender. Schultz, for example, will be singing a song from “Guys and Dolls.”

“There are a lot of roles you want to play and you never get to,”

Schultz said. “This is a safe, creative outlet for that.”

The students wanted to portray the new roles as they would if they were still acting as their own gender. For many, though, it was hard not to take on a completely new attitude when approaching the character.

“When you first get a piece of material that’s not your comfort zone or not even your gender,

there’s the inclination to ‘act like a man’ so its been really interesting trying to work past that and doing what we set out to do, which is take the material as it is and act it like we would as ourselves doing it,” said Chrissy Shackelford, a theatre and dance junior and one of the actresses in “Miscast.”

Shackelford and fellow theatre and dance junior Aly Tall-ey are performing a scene from

“Dog Sees God” about the friendship between two boys. The girls have been in the show before but are now getting the chance to play roles of their choosing.

“[‘Dog Sees God’] is really good,” Shackelford said. “The script is really powerful. Me and Aly did that show last year but we weren’t [the same] characters because we weren’t men, but we’ve always liked the piece and the writing, so

we decided to do it.”

For Schultz, the process of working on “Miscast” has been a very exciting experience and one that has been unique to her acting background.

“It’s a really fun project,” Schultz said. “When you open monologues or scene books, you automatically go to the female section or to your age range. It’s interesting to look into sections you never would

WHAT: “Miscast”

WHERE: Winship Drama building Room 2.180

WHEN: Saturday at 6 p.m.

TICKETS: Free

have gotten to. There are so many guy monologues out there that explore things we never get to do and are really funny.”

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EVENT PREVIEW

UT Broadway revue recasts gender roles

By Sarah Pressley
Daily Texan Staff

Girls will be boys and boys will be girls this Saturday as Phoenix Theatre Company, a group of UT theatre and dance students, perform "Miscast," a montage of scenes from Broadway plays that challenges typecasting and traditional gender roles.

"Miscast" is an annual event in New York City performed to raise money for Broadway productions. This summer a group of theatre students decided to follow suit and finally find a way to play the roles they could normally only dream of.

"We were all sitting around joking about how we would never be cast in certain roles," said Kelli Schultz, a theatre and dance senior and an actress in the show. "It's about performing in shows we would never get to. The shows would never work if we performed them as ladies and men. It's about getting together and doing a show with material we like."

The students chose and began rehearsing individual scenes over the summer, but have come together to help each other direct and perfect the show, which features 11 different pieces by nine students. Together they have also written an



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Aly Talley and Chrissy Shakelford rehearse a scene from their new production "Miscast" which will be performed this Saturday at the Winship Drama building.

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EXHIBIT PREVIEW

Flight exhibition looks at Texans who took off

Artifacts, personal tales bring state's history to life at Bob Bullock museum

By Danielle Wallace
Daily Texan Staff

The whirl of a film roll, the flash of a camera bulb, the cheers of exhilarated crowds — these are the noises that come to mind as one looks back on the origins of flight and steps through the doors of "Tango-Alpha-Charlie: Texas Aviation Celebration," the most recent special exhibit featured at The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum.

However, visitors are greeted by much more than the gleaming hardware and intricate mechanics of planes and machinery. The faces of fellow Texans beam from every picture, shining out of every story. The cheeky grins, bright eyes and windswept hair of generations that fearlessly took to the skies

tell of times full of innovation and chance as both men and women alike risked it all to embark on adventures that hadn't previously been within reach.

Theirs are stories of unbreakable spirit, from Bessie Coleman's determined fight to break through barriers preventing her from becoming the first female licensed pilot in Texas to Douglas "Wrong Way" Corrigan's heartwarming tale of never giving up on a dream. These pioneers come to life as their stories are told, the shapers of pivotal pieces of Texas history, until suddenly they feel closer than ever.

While the first portions of the chronological exhibit focus on aviation alone, the scope broadens as visitors progress through the area until classic images of aircrafts appear alongside pieces depicting ballooning to wing walkers to space exploration.

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Gentleman's drink a staple of the South

THIRSTY THURSDAY
By Gerald Rich

Friday marks the 148th anniversary of the Battle of Antietam, the Civil War's bloodiest battle fought in a single day with roughly 23,000 casualties on both sides. Most commonly remembered for their desire for political independence, the 19th century South also left an important mark in cocktail history with the mint julep.

Also known as the official drink of the Kentucky Derby or the southern gentleman's drink, the julep is a simple mix of bourbon, mint and sugar. However the devil is really in the details of preparation if you want to make the original bourbon snow cone and not a bourbon mojito.

More commonly seen now in a stout rocks or slender Tom Collins glass, the classic Kentucky Derby mint julep was served in a silver pewter cup with crushed ice. The change in drinkware happened over the last 200 years to help reduce the prep time for thirsty southerners.

Nothing compares to the traditional cup because it basically insulates itself. After muddling your mint and sugar with water and adding the first bit of ice and bourbon, the mix is stirred until condensation forms on the outside of the cup. Then, when the rest of the ice is added, the condensation freezes to give the cup a frosty coating.

"The difference is the freshness because of the packed ice and the raw brown sugar," said Jose Sapien, a alcomist at Paggi House. "That was the point, because the southern summer heat was so overbearing. You always think of people on their porches with their fans and lemon-



Jonathan Foley | Daily Texan Staff

Paggi House serves up a cocktail that beats the summer heat. The mint julep is the official drink of the Kentucky Derby.

Mint Julep

Ingredients	Directions
sterling silver julep cup or glass	• Add 3 mint leaves, sugar and water to cup/glass
1 large bouquet of mint	• Muddle the mixture gently and remove mints
crushed ice	• Pack half full with crushed ice
2 oz. of bourbon	• Add bourbon
spoonful of raw brown sugar	• Stir till condensation forms
spoonful of water	• Fill cup/glass with crushed ice
1 straw	• Garnish with remaining bouquet of mint
	• Insert straw and enjoy!

ade. The mint julep was ideally meant to be refreshing while using your local bourbon."

Before this was the drink of the South though, it was the drink of the Near East, and its origins go as far back as the 15th century. At that time it was called by its original Persian name, gulab, and was

used with medicine.

"Long before Mary Poppins sang about a spoonful of sugar to help the medicine go down, people used syrups to make bitter or otherwise disagreeable potions more palatable," wrote Colonel

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WEEKEND

THURSDAY

Bearlesque Review Fundraiser for the Austin Facial Hair Club

Texas, let your beards hang low, let them wobble to and fro. The Austin Facial Hair Club is hosting their next fundraiser to help them go to Norway for the World Beard and Moustache Championships. AFHC promises beards, bears, bands and beer with a donation of \$5. Performances by Notes Floats and the StABBA.

WHAT: Bearlesque Review Fundraiser

WHEN: Thursday, 9:30 p.m.

WHERE: Rusty Spurs

TICKETS: \$5 donation

SATURDAY

Seaholm District Music & Art Fair

OK, so it's not actually at the Seaholm Power Plant, but right outside of it. The SMAF will be the first of a new annual festival celebrating all that is Austin. Come on out to this free event to see 13 bands and DJs, more than 40 Austin shops and boutiques and watch the Texas Tech game on a giant 40-inch HD screen with surround sound.

WHAT: Seaholm District Music & Art Fair

WHEN: Saturday, Noon

WHERE: 3rd and Nueces streets

TICKETS: Free

SUNDAY

Cinema East presents "Beijing Taxi"

Cinema East returns with this full-length documentary following the lives of three taxi drivers as China's historic capitol surges forward into modernity. Seating is limited, so bring some chairs, blankets and as usual BYOB. Karibu Ethiopian Restaurant, Frank and Daily Juice will be on hand to offer up a wide variety of food and drinks for vegetarians and meat lovers alike.

WHAT: Cinema East presents "Beijing Taxi"

WHEN: Sunday, 8-11 p.m.

WHERE: Baby Blue

ONGOING

The Neon Show

The neon exhibit features all types of art in bright forms; from paintings and photography to sculptures with lights. There will be talks detailing the history of neon art and workshops incorporating neon elements for the duration of the exhibit.

WHAT: The Neon Show
WHEN: Sept. 16 — Oct. 2
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